

# 4th of July

## Safety Tips

Severe burns, amputations, blindness, and, in some cases, deaths are often the result of 4th of July celebrations.



**The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection**  
**Office of the State Fire Marshal has the following tips:**

- Always read directions.
- Always have an adult present.
- Use fireworks outdoors only.
- Never use near dry grass or other flammable materials.
- Light one at a time.
- Keep a safe distance.
- Never point or throw fireworks at another person.
- Never experiment with fireworks.
- Have a bucket of water and a hose handy.
- Never attempt to re-light or "fix" fireworks.
- Do not wear loose fitting clothing.
- Never carry fireworks in your pockets.
- Fireworks are not toys.
- Use only State Fire Marshal approved fireworks.



Parents are liable for any damage or injuries caused by their children using fireworks.



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